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In re application of: Robert C. Spiro et al.

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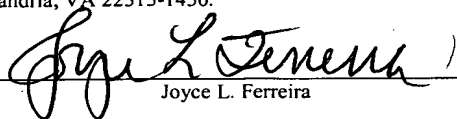
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Sir:

This is in response to the Final Rejection of September 9, 2003. Applicant requests a three-month extension of time. A response is due by March 9, 2004 with a three-month extension. A Notice of Appeal accompanies this response.

A listing of the claims as proposed to be amended begins on page 2 of this submission.

Amendments to the Specification begin on page 4 of this submission.

The comments and arguments begin on page 6 of this submission.